

LAKE: ESTES L (VLMP 31 )  
TOWN: SANFORD  
COUNTY: YORK

MIDAS: 7  
TRUE BASIN: 2  
SAMPLE STATION: 1

#### WHOLE LAKE INFORMATION

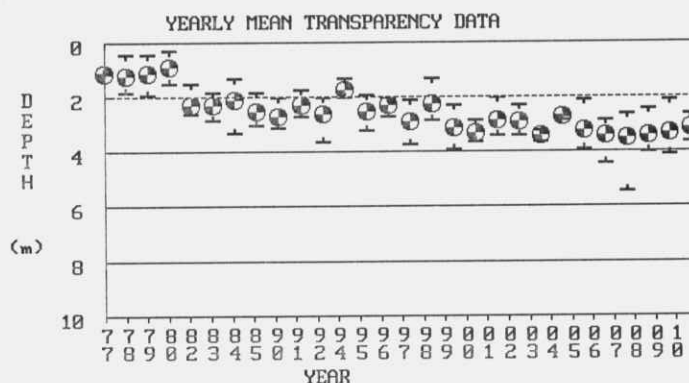
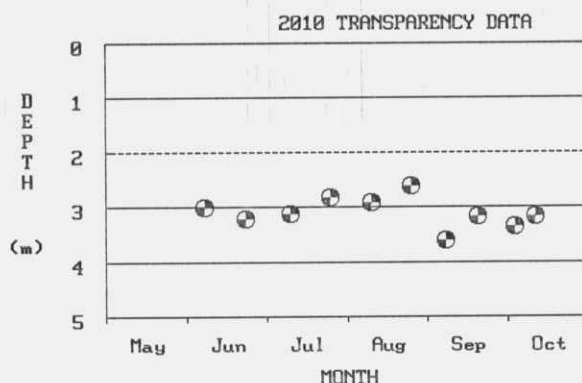
MAX. DEPTH: 9 m. (30 ft.)  
MEAN DEPTH: 3 m. (10 ft.)  
DELORME ATLAS #: 02  
USGS QUAD: ALFRED  
IFW REGION A: Sebago Lake (Gray)  
IFW FISH. MANAGMENT: Warmwater

#### TRUE BASIN CHARACTERISTICS

SURFACE AREA: 66.8 ha. (165.1 a.)  
FLUSHING RATE: 55.72 flushes/yr.  
VOLUME: 2503694.0 cu. m. (2031 ac.-ft.)  
DIRECT DRAINAGE AREA: 22.85 sq. km. (8.82 sq. mi.)

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#### SECCHI DISK TRANSPARENCY GRAPHS:



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#### SUMMARY OF CHEMICAL AND TROPHIC STATE PARAMETERS:

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YEAR	MEAN COLOR	MEAN pH	MEAN ALK	MEAN COND.	TOTAL PHOS. MEANS (ppb)				SECCHI DISK (m.)				CHLOROPHYLL A(ppb)			TROPHIC STATE INDICES			
	(SPU)		(mg/l)	(uS	EPI	SURF	BOT.	PRO.	MIN.	MEAN	MAX.	N	MIN.	MEAN	MAX.	C	G	SEC	CHL
				/cm)	CORE	GRAB	GRAB	GRAB											
1977	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	1.1	1.1	1.1	1	41.6	41.6	41.6	-	-	-	-
1978	80	6.95	16.8	102	-	-	-	-	0.4	1.2	1.8	6	6.2	42.0	90.1	-	-	-	114
1979	89	6.17	11.5	92	-	-	-	-	0.4	1.1	1.9	7	0.2	30.1	69.9	-	-	-	-
1980	82	6.56	12.6	93	-	-	-	-	0.3	0.9	1.5	5	17.0	17.0	17.0	-	-	-	-
1982	96	6.71	14.2	72	-	-	-	-	1.5	2.3	2.6	5	4.6	11.1	20.6	-	-	-	75
1983	80	6.51	10.0	48	-	-	-	-	1.8	2.3	2.8	5	4.1	15.2	28.4	-	-	-	84
1984	71	6.59	13.9	55	-	-	-	-	1.3	2.1	3.3	6	3.0	16.6	39.3	-	-	-	87
1985	-	7.26	15.0	75	-	-	-	-	1.8	2.5	3.0	5	8.2	19.8	28.8	-	-	-	92
1990	43	6.99	12.8	85	23	-	-	-	2.0	2.7	3.1	4	7.7	11.3	18.9	-	-	-	-
1991	105	6.84	12.0	67	33	-	-	-	1.7	2.3	2.7	4	1.9	7.2	11.5	-	-	-	-
1992	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.6	3.6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1994	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.3	1.7	2.0	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1995	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	2.5	3.2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.3	2.7	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1997	45	7.13	16.0	112	17	-	-	-	2.1	2.9	3.7	5	9.5	9.5	9.5	-	-	-	-

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	COLOR	pH	ALK	COND.															
	(SPU)		(mg/l)	(uS	EPI	SURF	BOT.	PRO.	MIN.	MEAN	MAX.	N	MIN.	MEAN	MAX.	C	G	SEC	CHL
				/cm)	CORE	GRAB	GRAB	GRAB											
1998	23	-	15.0	113	26	-	28	-	1.3	2.2	2.8	5	15.0	15.0	15.0	-	-	-	-
1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.1	3.9	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.3	3.6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.8	3.4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	35	-	17.5	128	14	-	12	-	2.3	2.9	3.4	5	8.7	9.0	9.3	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.2	3.4	3.6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2004	53	7.24	16.8	114	19	-	40	-	2.7	2.7	2.8	1	15.0	15.0	15.0	-	-	-	-
2005	49	7.16	15.5	144	18	20	37	-	2.1	3.2	3.9	4	12.0	12.0	12.0	-	-	-	-
2006	63	7.10	12.7	129	20	21	-	-	2.8	3.4	4.4	6	4.0	4.3	4.5	-	-	-	-
2007	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	2.6	3.5	5.4	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	19	-	-	2.4	3.4	4.0	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	2.1	3.3	4.1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	17	-	-	2.6	3.1	3.6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUMMARY:	65	6.73	14.2	95	20	19	29	-	0.3	2.5	5.4	28	0.2	17.3	90.1	-	-	-	90

# LATE SUMMER TEMPERATURE / DISSOLVED OXYGEN PROFILES:

DEPTH	SAMPLE DATE															
	08/22/91		09/18/91		08/22/97		08/21/98		08/22/02		08/19/04		08/16/05		08/24/06	
m	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm	°C	ppm
0.0	20.2	6.4	22.7	8.8	22.0	6.2	24.0	8.9	25.1	7.9	23.7	8.8	25.6	6.8	24.4	7.6
1.0	20.1	6.1	22.0	7.6	22.0	6.1	24.0	8.9	25.0	7.8	23.4	8.7	24.8	6.7	23.3	7.5
2.0	18.7	6.1	20.9	6.4	21.9	5.9	23.1	8.8	24.9	7.5	21.9	4.6	24.6	6.6	23.2	7.4
3.0	18.5	6.0	20.0	5.5	21.9	5.7	23.0	8.5	24.8	7.8	21.1	0.5	24.5	6.7	22.5	6.0
4.0	18.5	5.9	19.2	5.0	21.8	5.7	22.3	2.6	23.2	1.7	20.2	0.2	24.2	5.0	22.2	5.5
5.0	18.3	5.8	19.0	4.7	21.2	4.5	21.8	0.7	21.6	0.4	18.8	0.2	23.2	1.8	21.9	5.1
6.0	18.3	5.8	19.0	4.5	21.2	4.8	21.2	0.1	20.8	0.3	18.0	0.2	22.5	1.4	21.5	4.9
7.0	18.2	5.9	-	-	21.1	6.4	21.0	0.1	20.1	0.3	17.6	0.2	22.2	1.0	21.3	4.6
8.0	18.2	6.2	-	-	-	-	20.8	0.1	19.4	0.3	-	-	21.8	0.3	21.1	4.1
9.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21.4	0.2	-	-

## **WATER QUALITY SUMMARY**

### **ESTES LAKE, SANFORD**

MIDAS: 0007, Sample Station # 1

The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (ME-DEP) and the Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program (VLMP) have collaborated in the collection of lake data to evaluate water quality, track algal blooms, and determine water quality trends. This dataset does not include data for bacteria, mercury, or nutrients other than phosphorus.

Water quality monitoring data have been collected from Estes Lake since 1977. During this period, 10 years of basic chemical information was collected in addition to Secchi Disk Transparencies (SDT). In summary, the water quality of Estes Lake is considered below average based on measures of SDT, total phosphorus (TP), and Chlorophyll-a (Chla). The potential for nuisance algal blooms on Estes Lake is moderate to high.

Water Quality Measures: Estes Lake is a colored lake (average color 65 SPU) with an average SDT of 2.5 m (8.3 ft). The water column TP ranges from 14 - 33 with an average of 20 parts per billion (ppb). Chla ranges from 2.8 - 90.1 ppb with an average of 17.3 ppb. Recent dissolved oxygen (DO) profiles show little DO depletion in deep areas of the lake. The potential for phosphorus to leave the bottom sediments and become available to algae in the water column (internal loading) is moderate to high. Because Estes Lake is relatively shallow, it is subject to turbidity from wind action and resuspension of sediment which may contain phosphorus.

The Sanford Sewage Treatment Plant discharges to the stream that runs into Estes Lake. The water quality of Estes Pond is controlled by the quality and quantity of the discharge from the treatment plant. Nutrients and total volume of the discharge have decreased over the past decades.

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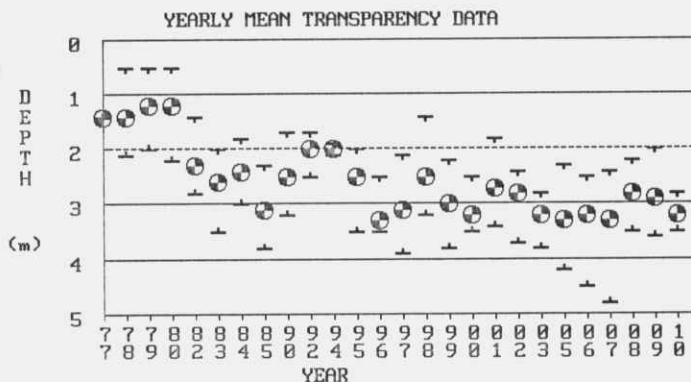
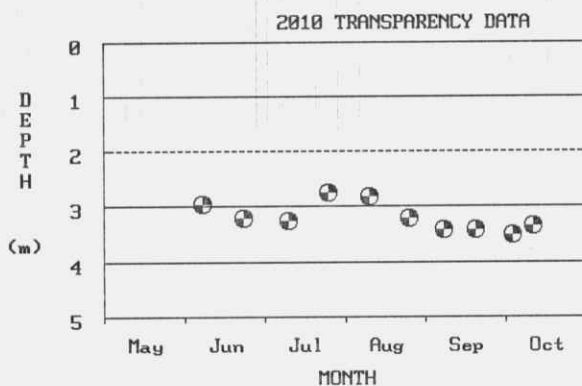
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FLUSHING RATE: 50.71 flushes/yr.  
VOLUME: 1354254.0 cu. m. (1099 ac.-ft.)  
DIRECT DRAINAGE AREA: 63.11 sq. km. (24.37 sq. mi.)

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1977	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	1.4	1.4	1.4	1	32.6	32.6	32.6	-	-	-	-
1978	75	6.72	13.0	84	-	-	-	-	0.5	1.4	2.1	6	3.5	23.7	45.3	-	-	-	97
1979	108	6.07	11.8	73	-	-	-	-	0.5	1.2	2.0	7	2.8	27.5	102.4	-	-	-	-
1980	80	6.18	10.3	72	-	-	-	-	0.5	1.2	2.2	5	6.3	6.3	6.3	-	-	-	-
1982	115	6.52	12.3	55	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.3	2.8	5	3.7	8.4	15.8	-	-	-	-
1983	85	6.45	8.7	37	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.6	3.5	5	4.2	10.2	15.7	-	-	-	73
1984	97	6.62	12.7	42	-	-	-	-	1.8	2.4	3.0	6	3.0	9.5	16.1	-	-	-	70
1985	-	6.90	-	55	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.1	3.8	5	3.2	5.8	7.1	-	-	-	57
1990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	2.5	3.2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1992	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.7	2.0	2.5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1994	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.9	2.0	2.1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1995	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.5	3.5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	3.3	3.5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1997	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.1	3.1	3.9	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.4	2.5	3.2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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1999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	3.0	3.8	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	3.2	3.5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.8	2.7	3.4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2002	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.4	2.8	3.7	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2003	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.2	3.8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2005	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.3	3.3*	4.2*	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.5	3.2	4.5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2007	28	7.31	12.9	82	-	8	-	-	2.4	3.3	4.8	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.2	2.8	3.5	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2009	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.0	2.9	3.6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.8	3.2	3.5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUMMARY:	84	6.46	11.7	62	7	8	-	-	0.5	2.6*	4.8	26	2.8	15.5	102.4	-	-	-	74

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DEPTH	SAMPLE DATE															
	09/23/82		08/19/83		09/21/83		08/21/84		09/12/84		08/15/85		09/11/85		08/22/97	
	m	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm	°C ppm
0.0	17.0	7.5	25.4	9.2	22.8	9.3	23.5	9.4	20.5	9.6	27.5	9.1	19.7	10.3	22.1	8.0
1.0	17.0	7.5	25.0	9.4	22.0	9.2	23.0	9.4	20.5	9.6	26.0	9.0	19.2	10.2	21.9	8.1
2.0	17.0	7.5	24.0	9.2	21.0	8.8	22.5	8.7	20.5	9.6	25.0	9.1	19.0	10.0	21.9	8.1
3.0	17.0	7.4	22.8	6.1	19.8	7.8	22.2	8.4	19.5	8.8	23.8	6.8	19.0	9.5	21.3	7.9
4.0	17.0	7.3	21.8	6.2	19.2	7.2	21.8	6.7	18.5	8.8	22.5	4.3	18.5	8.0	20.0	7.7
5.0	17.0	7.3	21.0	6.1	18.3	6.7	21.4	4.8	18.5	7.8	21.2	3.2	18.0	7.6	19.5	7.1
6.0	17.0	6.0	-	-	18.3	6.5	20.5	2.8	18.5	7.0	-	-	17.9	6.6	-	-

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